

News from Rep. Stephanie Herseth
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HERSETH STATEMENT ON DELAY INDICTMENT

September 28, 2005, Washington, D.C. – U.S. Rep. Stephanie Herseth released the following statement today following news that House Majority Leader Tom DeLay had been indicted:

“Today’s indictment raises serious questions about possible violations of campaign finance law, and I believe that it is appropriate for Mr. DeLay to step down as Majority Leader while the legal process takes place. Unfortunately, these kinds of allegations, involving corruption at the highest levels of government, are exactly what turn people away from politics and the political process. As the legal proceedings unfold, it is important that Congress stay focused on the needs of the nation and engage in respectful debate as we serve the American people.”

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Congresswoman Stephanie Herseth serves South Dakota in the U.S. House of Representatives. She is a member of the Blue Dog Coalition, a group of moderate Democrats committed to fiscal discipline and strong national security, and is co-chair of the Rural Working Group, which is dedicated to raising the profile of issues important to rural America. She also serves on three committees vital to South Dakota’s interests: Agriculture, Veterans’ Affairs and Resources.